

HEAR ABOUTS

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The Free Community Magazine for Eglington Parish
North Charlton | South Charlton | Eglington | & Everywhere Between

From the Editor

We've made it to June! The way things have gone so far in 2020, it was in doubt, though of course we have a 2nd spike in the virus impending after everyone now fancies a trip to Barnard Castle...

Also it looks like America is about to tear itself apart now, rather than in November when someone doesn't cede power - kind of like you'll never get rid of me making this magazine! haha

We joke to stay sane, but please all stay safe, we're not through it yet! ...and no trips out to check your eyesight!! Andy

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As this issue goes to print it is our intention to hand deliver as many as we can The April edition was left at collection points. If you missed this or the last issue because you didn't venture out or aren't on any notification lists, you can download previous issues from <http://www.eglingham.info/hear-abouts-magazine>

Residents @ Email List

A resident of the Parish? Then if you haven't already... Sign up for our community email list!

Our very successful email list is open to any resident within our boundaries, just send an email to david@eglingham.org.uk and you will get added.

Next Issue:

Early July

Please continue to submit content as normal

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SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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Members Allowance 2019/20

As the Longhoughton Ward County Councillor I receive £15,000.00 per year to spend on my Communities. The initiatives for 2019/20 are listed as below. I am also contributing towards an interactive speed sign for Christon Bank, which, unfortunately due to lockdown this prevented the installation from moving forward and I am carrying the money forward into year 2020/21 and the sign will be purchased and installed asap.

Traffic calming (Speed reduction measures) B6346 Eglington Village - Phase 1 £2,000.00 - VillageTraffic Design Plan.

Contribution towards purchase and installation of new interactive speed sign, A697 Powburn north £3,390.00

Contribution towards footpath resurfacing outside Moodys (Londis) in Embleton and opposite the village hall in Howick Village £3,000.00

Contribution towards purchase and installation of 7No. new litter bins for Craster Parish - £2,269.68

Total Balance 10,659.68

Carried over to 2020/21 = £4,340.32

Northumberland Libraries

Northumberland library customers who have been missing their regular visit to their local branch have received a welcome call from staff to check on them.

The county's library service is running a "befriending" service for its regular, elderly customers, who are currently shielding during the Covid19 outbreak, to ensure residents don't become isolated and lonely.

The service identified 3,800 customers of 70yrs+ who have been regular visitors to a library this year.

Staff will call them all at least once to check how they are getting on and if there is anything they can help them with, such as offering them support on accessing digital resources if they have a device.

They are also signposting residents to other services which can help. They will chat to them about books they have been reading - and suggest others they might like. For those who are particularly isolated staff will make more frequent calls for a friendly chat.

The service is also seeking to offer limited doorstep deliveries of books to some of its most isolated customers.

The library service offers hundreds of e-Books, e-Audiobooks and e-Magazines online. At the moment you can also research your family history for free with Ancestry at home and Find my Past.

To access these and the Library's other online services, all you have to do is sign up as a library member for free.

Go to www.mylibrary.co.uk for more information.

If you are in need of help you can also contact the Northumberland Communities Together team on (01670) 620015 between 9am to 6pm, seven days a week or email: northumberlandcommunitiestogether@northumberland.gov.uk

Anyone who is concerned about library books which they may not have not been able to return before the current lockdown commenced, will not be charged/fined once libraries reopen.

Grass Verges

I am increasingly contacted by residents and Parish Councils about protecting our grass verges and managing them to benefit wild flowers and other nature. Safety must come first on our roads and certain verges must be cut to maintain clear lines of visibility at road junctions. NCC Neighbourhood Services Team are happy to leave the verges uncut if Parish Councils request this and they can be contacted to discuss at any time.

Household Waste Recovery Centres

Please check the council website for latest guidance.

Current Site Rules

- Social distancing measures must be adhered to at all times by both staff and visitors. All site users must adhere to the 2m social distancing rules.
- Ideally, only one person per vehicle should travel to the site, as only one person will be permitted outside their vehicle once on-site. People must remain in their vehicle whilst queuing.
- You will be required to prove you live in Northumberland - please bring proof of your postal address and postcode - e.g. a utility bill or driver's licence. You will need to display this in the windscreen of your vehicle.
- No assistance will be given to offload materials by site staff so only bring what you can safely carry.
- A new traffic management system will be in place and due to safety concerns, queueing outside of the sites will be restricted. If there are queues you may be asked to leave and come back at a later time.
- Only cars, small vans and small trailers (below 5 feet or 1.5 metres long) are allowed on site.
- No transit-type vans, large vehicle trailers or commercial vehicles of any type will be allowed on site.
- Sites can only accept
 - bagged general household waste
 - garden waste
 - cardboard
 - glass
 - TVs

- small electrical appliances
- wood
- carpets
- bulky items of household waste such as old furniture.
- fridges (provided they can be carried by one person), but no other white goods
- Do not attend the site if you are self-isolating due to having/or having had possible COVID-19 symptoms.
- If any households have had COVID-19 symptoms, then the waste should be left for 72 hours before being brought to site. Waste should be doubled bagged.
- If residents have sanitary or incontinence pad waste this should be bagged and placed in their household general waste bin and the excess household waste brought to site.
- No access to pedestrians on any site.

Contacting Northumberland County Council

The safest way for you to contact the council is via our website at www.northumberland.gov.uk/contact - You can also call us on 0345 600 6400 during office hours.

We now have dedicated [#CoronaVirus](https://www.northumberland.gov.uk/coronavirus) section on our website dedicated to provide you with the information and updates on our services at www.northumberland.gov.uk/coronavirus

Mystery solved!

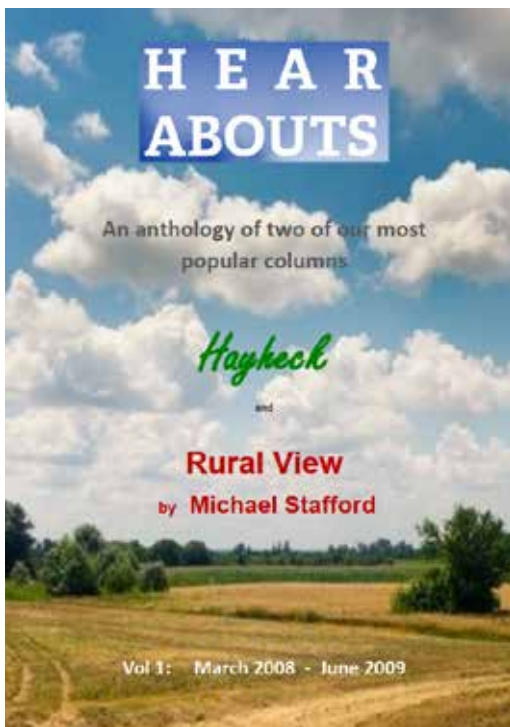
Thanks to Tony Hooks for identifying the marker stone I spotted while out walking last month. As he suspected, it was indeed on Beanley Moor. The photo in last month's Hear Abouts showed a letter N on one side and Tony correctly stated that on the other is a letter T. He explains that this was a boundary stone between the land of the Duke of Northumberland and the Earl of Tankerville.

How long the stone has been there is probably a more difficult question to answer but according to the records I have found, the first Earl of Tankerville lived at Chillingham Castle in the late 1600's, so the boundary stone could be anything up to 300 years old.

*This photo gives a broader view of the location of the stone, with Kimmer Lough in the distance.

Julian Tyley





Still A Good Read

If you are searching around for things to read during these strange times, Hear Abouts may be able to help.

Two of our original contributors were Hayheck and Michael Stafford. They wrote funny and engaging columns about life in our parish – and further afield. Rather than gather metaphorical dust in our computer archives we have brought the first year's worth together in a “pull out and keep” anthology. Or it would be except it's digital only!

If you'd like to download a copy, you can find it on the Hear Abouts page of the Parish website:

<http://www.eglingham.info/hear-abouts-magazine>

Litter Rant

I am writing this on Wednesday 13th May. It seems as if the lockdown is well and truly over. Since all the movement restrictions started on the 23rd March we have had 6 glorious weeks of very little traffic on the South Charlton road and NO LITTER at our road end.

It looks very much as if things are now returning to normal, as while out walking the dog first thing this morning, I found an empty beer bottle, an empty Costa Coffee cup and various plastic wrappings from snacks of some sort about two metres from my road end. I presume there must be a large sign at the bottom of the South Charlton road that is totally invisible to me, saying, “All motorists please throw out your rubbish here,” as you wouldn't believe how much litter gets deposited between my road end and West Mires driveway.

The number of empty Lambert and Butler cigarette packets (obviously an exceedingly popular brand), I have picked up over the last few years must be into the hundreds.

In a delusional moment I imagined that after Grovewood House closed as a care home my litter problem would be over. A number of the taxis serving Grovewood staff would stop on the verge just after my road end while passing time till their allotted staff collection time. Some of the taxi drivers seemed to find this an ideal spot to literally clean all the rubbish out of their vehicles and deposit it on the grass verge, sometimes it would fill a bin bag completely clearing this mess up.

Alas I still find the occasional Lambert and Butler cigarette packet along with other sundry rubbish. Why do people go to all the bother of bringing their rubbish to the South Charlton road to deposit, don't any of them have rubbish bins at their homes? The sign encouraging people to do this which, is invisible to me, certainly seems to be working well!

Bill Purvis

Play Resumes at “Wimbleham”

As lockdown eases tennis becomes an activity that can now be engaged in once again. On behalf of all those who play tennis I would like to thank the Parish Council for opening the tennis court, albeit with social distancing still to be observed. I think I speak for everyone when I think how lucky we are to have such a facility within the Parish. Our thanks also go to Nikki who is managing the booking system remotely, thank goodness for the digital age!

As Sally and I enjoyed our first knock about since lockdown, court bookings started to come through quickly, everyone keen to make the best of the recent good weather. Although we were somewhat rusty we had great fun and were able to give ourselves an excuse to have a natter face to face (with a 2 metre separation across the net of course). We soon booked our second game and started to improve a little (we were actually starting to hit the ball where we intended this time!)

I have just come back from a session with Clair in which we (stupidly some might say) battled with the gale force winds. Well it was certainly an experience! A lot of giggling went on amidst managing to connect with the ball a few times as the wind caught it and either stopped it in mid-track or pushed it towards us at great speed. Ultimately we had great fun and actually managed to play a few games returning home windswept but happy!

So thank you again to all those people involved in helping to ensure that our tentative moves out of lockdown have resulted in happy tennis players.

Gillian Ridgway



Tomato Plants

A selection of healthy well grown tomato plants in 6" pots, available in exchange for a contribution to the Eglingham and Old Bewick church Heritage Fund.

I have three varieties available all suitable for growing in a greenhouse or outdoors

Moneymaker - A very reliable tomato crops heavily with tasty medium sized fruit

Roma – A plum tomato with a wonderful flavour good for all uses but also excellent for cooking making sauces etc.

Ferline F1 - Good sized fruits with a very good flavour, also crops heavily and is disease tolerant. I grew these for the first time last year and had very good results, good for salads and also for cooking.

For plants contact me on lawrence.h@live.co.uk or phone or text to Mob 07939288996 or Tel 01665 578697

I can deliver plants, or they can be collected from outside the gate at the Terrace Eglingham.



Eglingham Parish Council

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Email: eglinghamclerk@gmail.com

The first electronic meeting of Eglingham Parish Council was held on Wednesday May 13th 7.30pm via Zoom. It would normally have been the Annual Parish Council Meeting and would have been preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting. Legislation means these do not have to be held during the National Emergency.

Minutes

Public Questions It was requested that any public questions be emailed to the clerk by 7pm on Tuesday May 12th. There were no questions received.

Any matters arising not on hold due to the National Emergency:

Update on Neighbourhood Plan; Cllr Biesterfield said the Design Code was well advanced in the form of a full draft which had been seen and commented on by the steering group. The landscape work had been held up due to the Coronavirus emergency but would hopefully get underway next month. The County Council's Northumberland Local Plan has likewise been delayed by the emergency and was now about 18 months from adoption but Cllr Biesterfield said he was minded to press on with the Neighbourhood Plan.

Climate change group; Cllr McIver clarified that rather than a group he would like to see this as a permanent agenda item acting as a check and balance for everything the Parish Council does.

Coronavirus- any actions or provisional expenditure to authorise:

To review donations the PC makes in light of the Coronavirus outbreak; The chair explained that in light of the Coronavirus emergency and that the parishes' churches and village halls and local groups can now access grants from the Middlemoor Community Windfarm Fund the PC's annual donations should be reviewed. He also felt that there were certain local charities in particular need of funding due to the services they provide at this time. He suggested that this year donations be made to HospiceCare North Northumberland, the Alnwick District Food Bank and the Great North Air Ambulance Service. This was agreed by all councillors and the level of donations will be set at the next meeting.

Any other non-coronavirus urgent issues:

Approval and Adoption of Eglingham Parish Council's Communication Strategy; This had been viewed and commented on by all between meetings and printed in Hearabouts and the Parish website. The clerk had not received any comments. It was agreed to adopt the strategy.

Approval and Adoption of Eglingham Parish Council's Safeguarding Policy This was adopted but it was agreed the clerk would clarify with NALC whether other groups could adopt the Parish Council's policy and also alert the Parish Council's insurers.

Clerk's forthcoming resignation; The chair explained that the clerk had handed in a letter of resignation explaining that she would be starting teacher training in September and therefore could not retain the position. She is intending to remain in

the position until September to allow time for another clerk to be found. The clerk has written an advert which will be passed to NALC to advertise and also to be printed in Hear abouts. The chair asked that the word was put out locally as it would be ideal to have a local person.

Gutters; Cllr Biesterfield raised the state of the gutters on Eglington Village Hall. Cllr McIver said he would address this with the Village Hall Committee.

Land East of St James's Church Cllr Biesterfield also mentioned that Northumberland Estates had alerted the PC that they have submitted the planning application to Northumberland County Council for the Land East of St James's Church, South Charlton-Planning Application to Planning Portal. Site Plan of 7 residential dwelling. The clerk had not yet received notification from NCC and it was decided to wait to make any comment until this stage.

Approval of regular accounts and Annual accounts for 2019/20 and the AGAR (all circulated). The Accounting Statements 2019/20 were agreed and the chair signed. The clerk will send the Certificate of Exemption (where the authorities income did not exceed £25000) to PKF Littlejohn auditors and display the accounting documents on the Parish website. The chair read out the Annual Governance Statement 2019/20 and this was agreed. Dates will also be displayed for the exercise of public rights following forthcoming guidance from NALC on how Parishioners can view documents.

Report from the County Councillor: Cllr Pattison said she had re-reported the state of the road out of South Charlton to Eglington and Nigel Brannen had promised to look at it again. Cllr Pattison also raised what had happened with the Traffic Management Plan in Eglington since the Parish Council had agreed not to pursue the footpath along the bridge. The chair explained that NCC had said a traffic speed monitor could not be funded by this money but Cllr Pattison said she would follow this up. She also confirmed her funding for a speed monitor at the end of the village.

Cllr Gray asked if there was any news on the 30mph signs for South Charlton. Cllr Pattison said she would chase this matter up but also urged that the clerk do the same as the signs had been promised by the summer.

Cllr Robson mentioned that the clerk had directed the matter of the renewal of the South Charlton Village Hall lease due in January 2021 to her at Northumberland Estates and she would be looking into it.

Cllr Biesterfield also confirmed that the remaining Groundwork grant for the Neighbourhood Plan of had now be re-granted back to the PC after the amount unspent in the last financial year had been returned to the organisation.

Time and date of next meeting: The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday July 8th, 2020.

VACANCY FOR PARISH COUNCIL CLERK

Eglingham Parish Council has a vacancy for a part-time clerk

Eglingham Parish Council is looking to appoint a capable, self-motivated person to the position of Clerk and Responsible Finance Officer to begin employment from September 2020. The appointment is for an average of 3 hours per week and the salary will be within NALC guidelines, with a starting point of £9.77 per hour, and dependent on experience.

This is a varied and interesting mainly home-based role with required attendance at all council meetings, generally eight a year, usually held on a Wednesday evening.

The successful candidate will be motivated and enthusiastic about supporting councillors and residents to improve the parish and local knowledge is helpful. They will have good administrative, organisational, numeracy and computer skills and be a good communicator. Duties will include: Preparing agendas and minutes for council meetings, managing council finances and organising audits, receiving and dealing with council correspondence, updating the Parish website.

Mileage and any office expenses incurred for Council businesses will be reimbursed. To apply please email a current, short CV illustrating relevant experience to eglinghampc@gmail.com by the 18 June 2020

Eglingham Parish Council

Covid Island Discs

Guest #2 - Julian Tyley

During isolation whether at home or on a desert island I think the best way of avoiding boredom is to keep occupied with a variety of activities. I have taken that thought into my selection of music, which I think you'll agree is quite varied!

Blaydon Races I wanted to start with a local song that I've known all my life. From a variety of traditional favourites I decided it had to be what has become known as the Geordie National Anthem.

I've got a little list – The Mikado, Gilbert & Sullivan

I was introduced to comic opera in my final years at school and I found it was a form of relaxation during breaks from working for my A levels. The humour appealed to me and although it was written more than 100 years ago, whenever this song is performed, it is adapted and brought up to date to make fun of prominent personalities, often politicians. The list consists of people who 'would not be missed'. I am sure I could spend time on the island thinking of suitable names to be added to the list!!



Top of the World - The Carpenters Brother and sister band Richard and Karen were one of the most popular of their time. I have happy memories of their music from when I started teaching in the 1970's

Fling it 'ere, Fling it there - The Yetties Another great memory from my time in Somerset in the 70's. This very popular west country folk group were regulars in halls and theatres and also on TV when I lived in Somerset, performing songs about life in the country, usually with plenty of humour. This example is about a muck spreader that developed a mechanical fault, spraying manure everywhere as it trundled from the farm through the village.

Bridge over Troubled Water - Simon & Garfunkel Quite simply a classic song!

It's Coming Home - Baddiel and Skinner For the first time in 30 years there was a major football tournament in England and this was the sound that echoed around the country on warm summer evenings in 1996.

William Tell Overture - Rossini With its fast and furious pace, playing this in the morning would really wake me up and get me moving. I remember it as the theme tune for the TV series The Lone Ranger.

Land of Hope and Glory - Elgar Finally, I've chosen a really stirring and patriotic piece of music, performed in the Royal Albert Hall in London. It would be something to lift spirits if rescue seemed a long way off!

A book: **The A to Z Compendium of General Knowledge**. I could keep my mind occupied and learn something every day from this book.

Luxury: **A video camera** to make a diary of what I see while on the island and something to take back home to show everyone.

The Covid Creative Corner

Lots of us have suddenly had plenty of time on our hands. Time we'd spend usually going to work, or other inane activities and we've had the chance to spend time being creative!

If you'd like to send in examples of your lockdown creations, please email pics etc to the usual address.

During lockdown I thought it would be the perfect opportunity to try something new. I've been illustrating for a while but wanted to explore textiles a little more. As people are staying at home and wearing comfy clothes, why not put my designs onto t-shirts! The 100% organic cotton t-shirts have been a success and people are loving them! If you are interested in purchasing one for yourself, please have a look on my Etsy shop **kbillustrations** <https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/kbillustrations>

Kirsten Blackmore





“Covid 19” by Pete Ridgway

*We were free as birds until today
Now we're in lockdown and there will be hell to pay
This country we live in has changed overnight
Our freedoms have gone and who among us put up a fight
We were told to stay at home to save the NHS
Whilst Dominic visits his Mum in Durham no less!
Its clearly one rule for us and another for them
You can travel where you like if you have a mate in No.10*



*Whilst we wait for a phone app to trace the infection
The governments on it, so there's no need for reflection
About whether it works or is just a disguise
To obscure the fudged facts and their blatant lies
About their successes in quelling the disease
But it's our country that's been brought crashing to its knees*

Above: More designs by Kirsten
Below: Paintings by Jean Sawyer

*Have others done better, I think that we know
That elsewhere the death toll has been kept welcomely low
But in America they have Covid and Donald as their curse
It's hard to think of anyone who could make things worse
Whilst Trump thinks we'll believe him if he says black is white
He goes on to attack Democrats who put up a fight
To protect his people from the worst of his lies
I'm sure it's not his fault, it's all those sneaky Chinese spies*



*But what of the dying we've lost since the start
Of the pandemic which has gripped us and torn at the heart
Of our families and jobs and the society with which we engage
There's much sadness and anger and such suppressed rage
But we clap for our Carers on Thursday night
It's our celebration of them and all they have done right*



*Back here we look with hope to much better times
Ones that don't require me to craft sad satirical rhymes
When we can see family and friends at two metres distance
It's better than Zoom and we won't need assistance
In going down the shops to buy all our stuff
Sorry Amazon, times up, that's tough*

Letters to the Editor...

Dear Sir/Madam

Paranormal Pub Night Event - an update

Following the highly regrettable situation which arose during our recent Paranormal Pub Night initiative, I would just like to reassure your readers that everything humanly possible is being done to bring closure to this unfortunate incident.

Who could have anticipated that our psychic hostess, Margot P Delacroix, would (or could) pack away quite so much vodka in such a short space of time? That she would slip while performing what can only be described as a hugely ambitious reverse pirouette on the bar, and having succumbed to her injuries would pass on to the spiritual dimension before our very eyes? And as a result that she would leave the entire population of Northumberland stranded in a public house of her own telepathic construction?

Personally, I thought the ensuing panic was something of an overreaction - especially the mass stampede for the door as there was, self-evidently, nothing beyond the door, save for the small yet beautifully manicured beer garden which Margot had included as an inspired creative flourish. The trampling of its herbaceous borders was most disappointing.

In the hours which followed I can only apologise that the beer ran out so quickly. Although in my defence there was incredibly high demand, in particular for the EtheReal Ale which at 9.8% ABV clearly contributed to that unfortunate spot of bother on the revolving dance floor. (I understand that the rear end of the breakdancing pantomime horse has, thankfully, now regained consciousness - albeit in another astral realm.)

I am aware that the event has been unkindly branded 'a debacle', 'a fiasco', 'a cock-up' and worse in some sections of the media, but I should point out that once the initial shock had subsided, many revellers actually seemed to welcome the chance of an after-hours 'lockdown lock-in'. So much so, in fact, that several hundred people's minds remain barricaded inside the pub - although a team of specialist psychic negotiators is continuing to plead with them to lay off the sauce and return to the real world where they can self-isolate themselves back to sobriety. Or not, if the contents of my recycling bin are currently anything to go by.

I'd also like to assure you that this 'teething problems' glitch has in no way dampened my team's enthusiasm for providing fun and stimulating diversions for residents during this protracted period of isolation. We are already brainstorming ideas for a county-wide game of hide and seek, a three-legged marathon race (which once we've worked through the detail will, of course, observe social distancing rules) and perhaps most exciting of all, a leek-growing competition with real-time video footage of the plants' progress streaming online 24 hours a day. (Forget Netflix, what more could you ask for by way of entertainment?)

Finally, I hope your readers will be pleased to learn that we have now set up a dedicated Helpline which offers free counselling to anyone whose aura was either fully or partially left behind during last Tuesday's Dunkirk-style evacuation of The Slaughtered Goat.

Yours faithfully,

Lou Nacey,
Boredom Alleviation Therapy Service (BATS)
Northumberland County Council.

Teenage Kicks

I'm Zeus -king of the Greek gods no less; although Loki from the Norse legends would be more appropriate! I have been nominated as this month's correspondent from Alexa's Animals for two reasons: 1. Rosie, last month's author and my best mate, has gone out on trial so I need a distraction; an unhappy Husky is not a pretty sight. 2. This column is about naughty teenage dogs and apparently I am an expert.

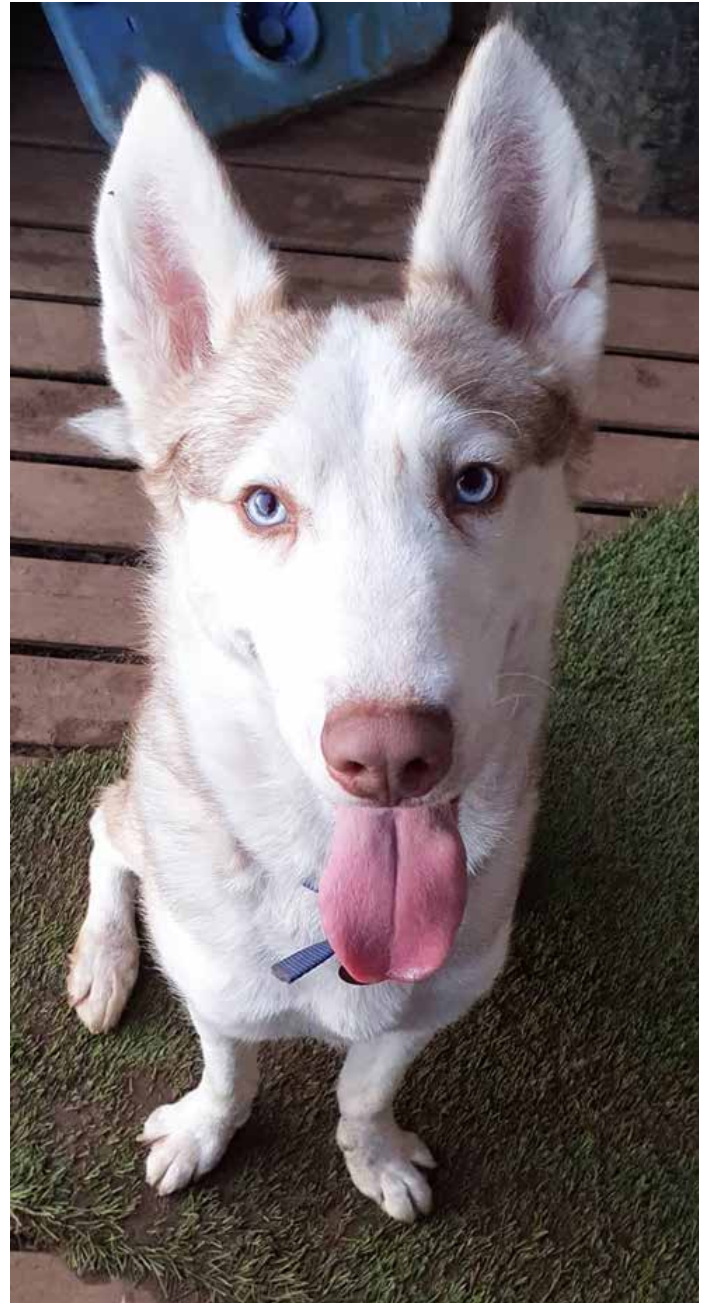
Seriously though, a clever human called Lucy Asher from Newcastle University has studied trainee guide dogs and proved that we canines go through a rebellious phase between 8 and 18 months of age. Formerly obedient pups start to say "In my own time matey" or develop selective deafness. Funnily enough a lot of the younger dogs who come here to Alexa's are between 8 and 18 months.... The good news is that, just like human teenagers, when they get a bit older they make charming companions.

How can you get through this difficult period? Start as you mean to go on - if you don't want me to sit on the furniture when I'm big don't encourage me on to your lap when I'm a cute puppy. Wear me out - a tired dog is a quiet and obedient dog. Make me think - that is tiring in itself but putting a handful of my daily food into a puzzle toy will stop me getting up to mischief for a while. Repeat commands that I can get right - everyone likes a bit of praise so revise Sit, Stay, Down and Come at close quarters every day before you let me loose. Don't witter on - I only understand a few words, if you have a conversation with me all I hear is "Blah, blah MY NAME, blah, blah, blah". Project calmness - I can hear when you're annoyed and I'm definitely not coming back to get told off.

Our Trustees would like to say a big "Thank you" to people for their generous donations and are grateful to NCC who helped them to access some of the State money put aside for charities.

We loved PJ's Covid Island Discs, just disappointed that she didn't pick Werewolves of London by Warren Zevon – it's a hot favourite down here at Patterson's Cottage and we sing it every time an emergency vehicle goes along the A1.

Yours,
Zeus



A message from Eglingham Parish Council

COVID-19 and Eglingham Parish

The Government has recently issued guidelines to help in the delaying of the spread of the Covid-19 virus.

These changes are going to have a significant effect on people's lives. The likelihood is that these changes to our lives will continue for some time and may even be increased to be more stringent.

The Parish Council has been liaising with representatives of other organisations in Eglingham and area including the WI, Eglingham Church, Eglingham Community Association and various individuals in an endeavour to make use of existing networks to help to support people in the Parish who may require some assistance. All of the above have offered support.

To this end a number of individuals have already come forward offering to provide help. If you wish to offer your time to help people in the community then please email eglinghampc@gmail.com with your contact details.

Should you find yourself in a position where you may require some additional assistance - this might include a chat on the phone, help with shopping, collection of medication or general advice please in the first instance contact any of the people listed below for your community who will either be able to offer direct assistance or signpost you to someone who can:

Eglingham area:

Jane Hamilton - 01668 217179 mob: 07546 487121 jane.hamilton99@sky.com

Jess Angus - 07912 625195 jess.angus101@hotmail.co.uk

Brenda Robertson - 01665 579337 brobertson2852@gmail.com

South Charlton area

Sue Courty - 01665 579295 thecourtys@gmail.com,

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North Charlton:

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Or contact representatives of the WI, Eglingham Church, Eglingham Community Association or the Parish Council whose contact details are on the last page of HearAbouts and are also listed on the Eglingham.info website.